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MARCH UNIFORM PRICE \$3.77

Dairy farmers will receive a uniform price of \$3.77 for March deliveries of Grade A milk to handlers under the South Bend-LaPorte, Indiana, milk order. The uniform price is based upon a butterfat test of 3.5 percent and will be adjusted by a differential of 7.1 cents for each one-tenth percent that tests vary above or below the 3.5 percent standard. This minimum price is subject to a 3 cent per hundredweight marketing service deduction, together with the authorized hauling charges and the 3 percent transportation tax on hauling. This uniform price is down 12 cents from the February price but is 4 cents higher than the uniform price of a year ago.

PRODUCER RECEIPTS

Producers delivered 16,706,412 pounds of milk to handlers in March on this market, and of these receipts 71.6% were allocated to Class I for computation of the uniform price. This is the highest month for producer receipts that this market has recorded with the exception of January, 1957, when one extra handler was on this market for that month only. Daily herd average production was up 10 pounds per herd over February and 76 pounds per herd over a year ago. This is a 17 percent increase per herd over a year ago and producer receipts in total are 24.6 percent over a year ago.

CLASS I SALES

Class I sales on a daily basis increased 6 percent over a year ago. Fortified skim milk continues to increase in sales every month with an increase over February of 36 percent. All other Class I items seem to remain about on a daily basis.

COTTAGE CHEESE

For the month of April all skim milk and butterfat used to produce cottage cheese will be classified as Class II and all items formerly classified as Class II, except cottage cheese, will be classified as Class III hereafter. The price of cottage cheese in April will be \$3.621 per cwt., for 3.5% milk which is made up of butterfat at \$81.100 per cwt., and skim milk at \$0.811 per cwt. Estimating the amount of cottage cheese to be made in April, this cottage cheese price should increase the value of the pool about \$3,000, or approximately 2 cents per cwt. on the blend price.



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## UTILIZATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF MILK

CLASS I	March, 1957		March, 1956	
	Reported Data		Reported Data	
	Product Pounds	Butterfat Pounds	Product Pounds	Butterfat Pounds
Milk	9,874,896	350,226	9,458,967	337,480
Skim Milk	121,618	130	103,663	30
Fortified Skim Milk	1,095,821	22,154	548,959	11,079
Buttermilk	148,934	1,060	147,979	883
Flavored Milk & Drink	338,075	9,533	307,973	8,202
Cereal Mixture	269,680	32,941	241,668	29,230
Coffee Cream	21,293	4,313	26,452	5,390
Whipping Cream	24,401	8,330	22,843	7,980
Sour Cream	9,322	1,733	9,094	1,766
Eggnog	184	14	352	26
Total Class I Utilization	11,904,224	430,434	10,867,950	402,066
Add: Class I Shrinkage	63,801	8,147	46,312	3,554
Subtract: Other Source Receipts	687	--	609,803	17,757
Subtract: Overage	--	--	--	--
Net Class I	11,967,338	438,581	10,304,459	387,863
CLASS II				
Used to Produce Cottage Cheese	1,338,155	15,330	884,711	9,629
Other Class II Products	3,102,790	176,559	3,296,529	162,775
Inventory Variation	223,421	8,747	(108,544)	(4,239)
Total Class II Utilization	4,664,366	200,636	4,072,696	168,165
Add: Class II Shrinkage	176,359	11,529	146,710	8,947
Subtract: Other Source Receipts	98,222	6,600	1,092,288	40,207
Subtract: Overage	3,429	--	24,022	4
Net Class II	4,739,074	205,565	3,103,096	136,901
TOTAL PRODUCER RECEIPTS	16,706,412	644,146	13,407,555	524,764

## MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

	March 1957	February 1957	March 1956
Total Production	16,706,412#	14,615,998#	13,407,555#
Average Daily Production	538,917#	522,000#	432,502#
Mar. 1957 Prod. Compared With	--	/ 3.24%	/ 24.60%
Number of Producers	1,038	1,025	977
Daily Herd Production	519#	509#	443#
Ave. Test of Producer Milk Rec'd.	3.85568%	3.86887%	3.91394%
Ave. Price 3.5% Milk	\$ 3.77	\$ 3.89	\$ 3.73
Chicago 92 Score Butter	\$ .59375	\$ .59375	\$ .57375
Class I Sales	11,904,224#	10,143,251#	10,867,950#
Class I Daily Average	384,007#	362,259#	350,579#
Mar. 1957 Compared With	--	/ 6.00%	/ 9.54%
Total Value Paid Producers	\$672021.04	\$606841.29	\$538396.51
Ave. Monthly Check per Farm	\$ 647.42	\$ 592.04	\$ 551.07
Ave. Daily Milk Check per Farm	\$ 20.88	\$ 21.14	\$ 17.78
Producer Butterfat Differential	\$ .071	\$ .071	\$ .069

